Written Ministerial Statement

Operation of the UK's Counter-Terrorist Asset Freezing Regime: 1 April 2016 to 30 June 2016

The Economic Secretary to the Treasury (Simon Kirby): Under the Terrorist Asset-Freezing etc. Act 2010 (TAFA 2010), the Treasury is required to report to Parliament, quarterly, on its operation of the UK's asset freezing regime mandated by UN Security Council Resolution 1373.

This report covers the period from 1 April 2016 to 30 June 2016.¹ This report also covers the UK implementation of the UN ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida organisations asset freezing regime (ISIL-AQ) and the operation of the EU asset freezing regime in the UK under EU Regulation (EC) 2580/2001 which implements UNSCR 1373 against external terrorist threats to the EU. Under the ISIL-AQ asset freezing regime, the UN has responsibility for designations and the Treasury has responsibility for licensing and compliance with the regime in the UK under the Al-Qaida (Asset-Freezing) Regulations 2011. Under EU Regulation 2580/2001, the EU has responsibility for designations and the Treasury has responsibility for licensing and compliance with the regime in the UK under Part 1 of TAFA 2010.

Annexes A and B to this statement provide a breakdown, by name, of all those designated by the UK and the EU in pursuance of UN Security Council Resolution 1373. The one individual subject to a designation, which has been notified on a restricted and confidential basis, under Sections 3 and 10 of TAFA 2010 is denoted by "A".

The following table sets out the key asset-freezing activity in the UK during the quarter ending 30 June 2016:

	TAFA 2010	EU Reg (EC) 2580/2001	ISIL-AQ regime EU Reg 881/2002
Assets frozen (as at 30/06/2016)	£28,000	£0.00 ²	£65,000 ³
Number of accounts frozen in UK (at 30/06/2016)	35	1	34
New accounts frozen (during Q2 2016)	0	0	0

¹ Financial institutions update HM Treasury on individual account balances annually. The figures in the first row of the table are based on account balances which were last reported to HM Treasury on 30 September 2015. At the end of each quarter HM Treasury will adjust the figures to reflect any accounts that have been frozen or unfrozen in that quarter.

² This does not duplicate funds frozen under TAFA.

³ This figure reflects the most up-to-date account balances available and includes approximately \$64,000 of funds frozen in the UK. This has been converted using exchange rates as of 30/06/2016. Additionally the figures reflect an updating of balances of accounts for certain individuals during the quarter, depleted through licensed activity.

Accounts unfrozen (during Q2 2016)	1	10	1
Total number of designations (including restricted designations at 30/06/2016)	23	32	337
(i) New public designations (during Q2 2016)	0	0	6
(ii) new confidential designations (during Q2 2016)	0	N/A	N/A
(iii) Total number of current confidential designations (at 30/06/2016)	1	N/A	N/A
(iv) Delistings (during Q2 2016)	1	1	1
(iv) Individuals in custody in UK (at 30/06/2016)	1	0	0
(v) Individuals in UK, not in custody (at 30/06/2016)	1	0	2
(vi) Individuals overseas (at 30/06/2016)	14	10	260
(vii) Groups	7	23	75
Individuals by Nationality (i) UK Nationals ⁴	2	N/A	N/A
(ii) Non UK Nationals	14		
Renewal of designation (during Q2 2016)	1	N/A	N/A
General Licences (i) Issued in Q2 (ii) Amended (iii) Revoked	(i) 0 (ii) 0 (iii) 0		
Specific Licences: (i) Issued in Q2	1	0	0
(ii) Amended	0	0	0
(iii) Expired	1	0	0
(iv) Revoked/Redundant	0	0	0
(v) Refused	0	0	0

 $^{^{\}rm 4}$ Based on information held by the Treasury, some of these individuals hold dual nationality.

Legal Proceedings

1. On 15 June a hearing was held at the Court of Appeal in relation to the Treasury's decision to revoke and not quash the designation of Moazzam BEGG. The hearing was in respect of a Protective Costs Order of the appellant.

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Annex A: Designated persons under TAFA 2010 by name⁵

INDIVIDUALS

- 1. Hamed ABDOLLAHI
- 2. Imad Khalil AL-ALAMI
- 3. Abdelkarim Hussein AL-NASSER
- 4. Ibrahim Salih AL-YACOUB
- 5. Manssor ARBABSIAR
- 6. Usama HAMDAN
- 7. Hasan IZZ-AL-DIN
- 8. Mohammed KHALED
- 9. Parviz KHAN
- 10. Musa Abu MARZOUK
- 11. Khalid MISHAAL
- 12. Khalid Sheikh MOHAMMED
- 13. Abdul Reza SHAHLAI
- 14. Ali Gholam SHAKURI
- 15. Qasem SOLEIMANI
- 16. A (restricted designation)

ENTITIES

- 1. BASQUE FATHERLAND AND LIBERTY (ETA)
- 2. EJERCITO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL (ELN)
- 3. FUERZAS ARMADAS REVOLUCIONARIAS DE COLOMBIA (FARC)
- 4. HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING, INCLUDING EXTERNAL SECURITY ORGANISATION
- 5. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE GENERAL COMMAND (PFLP-GC)
- 6. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE (PFLP)
- 7. SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL)

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⁵ For full listing details please refer to https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-list-of-designated-persons-terrorism-and-terrorist-financing

Annex B: Persons designated by the EU under Council Regulation (EC)2580/2001⁶

PERSONS

- 1. Hamed ABDOLLAHI*
- 2. Abdelkarim Hussein AL-NASSER*
- 3. Ibrahim Salih AL YACOUB*
- 4. Manssor ARBABSIAR*
- 5. Mohammed BOUYERI
- 6. Hasan IZZ-AL-DIN*
- 7. Khalid Sheikh MOHAMMED*
- 8. Abdul Reza SHAHLAI*
- 9. Ali Gholam SHAKURI*
- 10. Qasem SOLEIMANI*

GROUPS AND ENTITIES

- 1. ABU NIDAL ORGANISATION (ANO)
- 2. AL-AQSA E.V.
- 3. AL-AQSA MARTYRS' BRIGADE
- 4. BABBAR KHALSA
- 5. COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PHILIPPINES, INCLUDING NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY (NPA), PHILIPPINES
- 6. DEVRIMCI HALK KURTULU PARTISI-CEPHESI DHKP/C (REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY/FRONT/PARTY)
- 7. EJÉRCITO DE LIBERACIÓN NACIONAL (NATIONAL LIBERATION ARMY)*
- 8. FUERZAS ARMADAS REVOLUCIONARIAS DE COLOMBIA (FARC)*
- 9. GAMA'A AL-ISLAMIYYA (A.K.A. AL-GAMA'A AL-ISLAMIYYA) (ISLAMIC GROUP IG)
- 10. HAMAS, INCLUDING HAMAS-IZZ AL-DIN AL-QASSEM
- 11. HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING, INCLUDING EXTERNAL SECURITY ORGANISATION
- 12. HIZBUL MUJAHIDEEN (HM)
- 13. HOFSTADGROEP
- 14. ISLAMI BÜYÜK DOĞU AKINCILAR CEPHESI (IBDA-C) (GREAT ISLAMIC EASTERN WARRIORS FRONT)
- 15. KHALISTAN ZINDABAD FORCE (KZF)
- 16. KURDISTAN WORKERS PARTY (PKK) (A.K.A. KONGRA-GEL)
- 17. LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE)
- 18. PALESTINIAN ISLAMIC JIHAD (PIJ)
- 19. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE GENERAL COMMAND (PFLP-GC)*
- 20. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE (PFLP)*
- 21. SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) (SHINING PATH)*
- 22. TEYRBAZEN AZADIYA KURDISTAN (TAK)

⁶ For full listing details please refer to www.gov.uk

^{*} EU listing rests on UK designation under TAFA 2010